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#### **EMS** goes into operation today

PARIS, March 12 (R)-Common Market leaders announced today the European Monetary System (EMS) will begin tomorrow. A statement released shortly after the nine heads of government began their two-day summit said the EMS will go into operation when foreign exchange markets open in the morning. The scheme, designed to shield trade within the community from the ill effects of unstable currencies, has been delayed for more than two months by a dispute between France and West Germany. The quarrel, about a timetable for the phasing out of border taxes and subsidies on farm exports, was resolved last week at a meeting in Brussels of EEC agriculture ministers. Today's statement said only that the leaders noted all the conditions were now complete for the EMS' exchange - rate mechanism to begin and it will start when the markets reopen tomorrow.

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with the capital, Sanaa,

government at Amran, 30 kilometres northwest of the capnal, and in desert regions of eastem Yemen.

Each side has accused the other of starting the border conflict. which has raised prospects of increased super-power rivally in the strategic region at the southern entrance of the Red Sea.

North Yemen has also said the NDF insurgents were being supproted by South Yemeni aircraft. tanks and heavy artillery, but Aden has denied this.

In Sanaa, a military spokesman said last night that South Yemeni planes raided the Harib area of North Yemen at the weekend.

The spokesman added that his government would continue to observe the ceasefire declared at an emergency meeting of the Arab League council in Kuwan last

The mediation committee, led by Arab League Secretary-General Mahmoud Riad, arrived in Aden, capital of South Yemen, after conferring with North Yemeni leaders in Sanaa.

The mission is composed of ministers from Jordan, Iraq, Syria, Kuwait, Algeria and the United Arab Emirates (UAE), and a senior representative of the Palestine Liberation Organisation

It was accompanied by a military delegation charged with supervising a withdrawal of forces from the battle zone.

Foreign Minister Khaddam, in cling reporters the talks in Sanza had been successful, added: "We hope to be able to implement the league council's resolutions after meeting the Aden officials."

North Yemen's Foreign Minister Abdullah Al Asnag indicated that his country wanted to avoid a

Force (ADF). But the Lebanese tried to persuade the Saudis to change their mind. According to Lebanese government sources, the Saudis' final decision to withconveyed to the ADF Lebanese commander, Sami Al Khatib, roday by Col. Saad Al

Aishawi, who commands the

fine the conflict to the Arab level.

weeks ago it was sending more

than 100 million dollars worth of

arms to North Yemen to meet any

threat from South Yemen's armed

forces, which are trained and

equipped by the Soviet Union.

Sanaa has refused to negotiate

with the NDF, which was excluded

from the Arab League peace con-

The two Yemens agreed to

unite after Arab League inter-

vention ended their last major

border war in October, 1972, but

mutual suspicion bred by pro-

found political and ideological

disputes has blocked all attempts

to implement the accord.

Saudi ADF unit

withdraws soon

BEIRUT, March 12 (R)--The

700-man Saudi Arabian con-

tingent serving with the Arab

peace-keeping force in Lebanon

will start pulling out soon, well-

Saudi Arabia decided last

month to withdraw its troops

affiliated to the Arab deterrent

informed sources said today.

from Lebanon

East Germany and Cuba.

ference last week.

The United States said two

Saudi contingent. immediately afterwards, President Elias Sarkis chaired a meeting attended by Premier Selim Al Hoss, Foreign Minister Faud Butros, Defence Minister Victor Khoury and Col. Khatib to discuss "implications" of the decision, the

sources added.

Well-informed sources said the Saudis would begin leaving for home within the next few days.

The 30,000-man ADF, introduced to help end the 1975-76 Lebanese civil war, is made up mainly of Syrian troops. With the departure of the Saudis, the Syrians would be assisted only by a small unit from the United Arab Emirates.

#### Vietnam accuses China of plotting

to annex Laos BANGKOK, March 12 (R)--Vietnam today accused China of plotting to annex Laos and said Peking was still waging its

war against Vietnam. The Vietnamese Communist Party newspaper Nhan Dan . alleged that China had trained anti-Laotian government forces and sent them back to their country to foment a rebellion that would be combined with a Chin-

ese attack to bring Laos under Peking's control. Nhan Dan said China had trained men loyal to Vang Pao, the leader who took thousands of his fellow hill tribesmen into an American-backed war against the Pathet Lao, the present rulers of

On the fighting in northern Vietnamese provinces, invaded by China more than three weeks ago, Radio Hanoi said Chinese troops were making "nibbling" attacksfrom areas they still occupied, a week after Peking announced it

Laos. He now lives in the United

was pulling out its forces. The withdrawal however appears to be a slow one. Reliable sources in Bangkok say the battle reports from Radio Hanoi are consistent with a pullback of

Chinese troops to the border.

They note that the radio has been reporting fighting in areas progressively closer to the frontier. But they said that a foreign ministry statement issued in Hanoi last night, accusing the Chinese of moving two border marker posts farther into Viemam, could complicate the starting of peace talks the two sides have agreed on.



The death toll from Sunday's explosion at a dynamite depot at Um Al Basateen, near Amman, has risen to 14. Thirteen of the victims were buried Monday at Um Al Quttain, a nearby village, (See story on page

## of seeking alliance

Arafat said tonight President Carter was seeking to establish a U.S.-Israeli-Egyptian alliance but the Arab nation would foil his plan. Mr. Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, (PLO), was addressing a rally in West Beirut called to protest against

The commando leader accused President Carter of "seeking a policeman in the region, after the downfall of the Shah (of Iran), to help the Israeli policeman."

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat had agreed to play this role, he said. But he added that "such a role in this region has ended for

volcano was in Iran and the rest will come. The region will accept neither Carter nor Zionsim,"

Knesset--the Israeli parliament. "As part of his many crimes, Carter challenges United Nations

resolutions and attends Knesset meetings in occupied Jerusalem. It's a crime he is committing against the Palestinian people." Mr. Arafat

seek support for his presidential campaign and to tell his followers in the region 'don't be afraid'..."

ground for secret weapons during the Israeli invasion of the region

(Agencies)--Pakistan roday quit

the Central Treaty Organisation

(CENTO), saying the defence

alliance had lost its relevance to

the country's security. Foreign

the withdrawal would become

legally binding only next Feb-

United States policy, British

attitudes and the preference given.

to non-aligned states over allies as

reasons for Pakistan's decision to

"We want to be in the main-

stream of events," he said in what

was seen as an attempt by Pakistan

to seek closer ties with the non-

resented a U.S. arms embargo

imposed on their country after its

The Pakistan announcement

has come only a day after Mr.

Shahi returned home from talks

with Iran's new government on

issues of mutual interest, including

Iran's Foreign Ministry

announced in Tehran yesterday

that Iran had decided to withdraw

from the organisation, saying

CENTO was no longer effective in

protecting the rights and interests

Mr. Shahi said today: "The pact

lost its meaning with Iran with-

drawing, but we had been moving

independently to the same pos-

He said Pakistan had told its

partners in the alliance of its deci-

sion to quit and added the country

looked forward to maintaining

The defence pact for Southwest

Asia has been semi-dormant in

recent years, concentrating on

economic development and com-

munications and technical pro-

quarters were then moved from

Baghdad to Ankara and the new

name, CENTO, was adopted in

Foster Dulles, then U.S. Secretary

It formed what the late John

close relations with them.

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Baghdad Pact.

August 1959.

of members states.

1965 Kashmir war with India.

The Pakistanis in particular

aligned movement.

CENTO.

He cited what he described as

ruary.

He added: "They will not be able to turn Lebanon into a second Israel because we lie in wait for them."

#### Appearing to concede failure

### **Carter flies to Cairo** to report to Sadat

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, March 12 (Agencies)-President Carter will fly to Cairo tomorrow to report to President Anwar Sadat on his three days of talks in Israel about an Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty, the White House spokesman said here tonight.

Spokesman Jody Powell said Mr. Carter would be met at Cairo Airport by President Sadat for a discussion on his way home to Foreign Secretary Moshe Dayan. Mr. Carter will have a further U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus

Vance will travel with the President, Mr. Powell said. He told reporters that progress

had been made on certain issues but that "it is safe to conclude that some issues are not resolved." Mr. Powell was reluctant to

Washington.

characterise the accomplishments of the Carter mission. He said it would not be possible to form a final opinion before consulting Mr. Sadat.

Fewer issues remained outleft Washigton for his journey to Egypt and Israel last week, Mr. Powell said.

Compared with the distance Israel and Egypt had travelled since they started negotiating, the remaining differences were quite small, Mr. Powell said. But he went on: "It may be, and demonstrably is, a difficult final distance."

Mr. Powell declined comment on the remark made earlier by Prime Minister Menachem Begin that great progress had been

of increasing cooperation in a

meeting in Tehran at the weekend

with Iranian Foreign Minister

Mr. Begin's spokesman Dan bring peace," he said. Pattir, said negotiations were continuing tonight and Mr. Vance met

meeting with Mr. Begin at breakfast-time tomorrow in Jerusalem's King David Hotel. Mr. Vance will go on to

Washington with Mr. Carter and not proven we are also ready for has no plans at present to return to Israel, Mr. Powell said. Mr. Carter had been due to

leave Israel for home this afternoon but stayed on for further talks when the mission failed to peace negotiations -- "including achieve the hoped-for result. Mr. Carter had hoped to forge

agreement out of a conflicting welstanding than when the president ter of proposals and counterproposals on the shape of an Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty.

What these proposals were has still not been revealed.

Reporters asked Mr. Begin's press secretary. Dan Pattir, if any major problems had been solved. "Yes." Mr. Partir replied. But he cautioned that the problems remaining were not insignificant.

The first meeting of the day was delegation on one side and the entire Israeli cabinet on the other. They told him the decisions they had reached in a middleof-the-night meeting which had ended just a few hours previously.

The Israeli ministers put up amendments to the proposals brought here from Egypt last Saturday by Mr. Carter. These Egyptian porposals were themselves counter-suggestions to a U.S. plan previously approved by Israel.

After hearing the latest Israeli ideas, the U.S. side decided it would not be worth while conveying them to Egypt.

The announcement of the Cairo stopover followed an afternoon meeting between the Israeli and American delegations on further aspects of the problems blocking a peace treaty between Israel and

Egypt. President Carter himself, who in a speech to the Israeli Knesset (parliament) earlier in the day had appeared to be conceding failure, stayed away from this afternoon meeting.

The U.S. side was led by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance. At the end of the two-hour meeting Mr. Vance hurried away saying only that a statement could be expected later.

His opposite number, Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, told reporters there had been progress and that further talks could be expected in a few hours. Mr. Begin sounded more enthusiastic.

"Great progress was made," the Israeli leader told reporters who inferred he was talking about the mission as a whole rather than the day's deliberations.

In his Knesset speech, President Carter called on Egypt and Israel to make historic decisions for peace, saying "we still fall short" of the goals he hoped to achieve in

his Middle East diplomacy. In the emotional speech Mr. Carter said both Prime Minister Menachem Begin and President Sadat were committed to a set-

tlement. "But we have not yet fully met our challenge," he declared.

"Despite our unflagging determination, despite the extraordinary progress of the past six months, we still fall short."

Mr. Carter repeatedly sought to assure the Knesset that the United States would never agree to a peace treaty that was a sham or placed the Israel in peril.

"It is now the sombre responsibility of us all to exert our energies and our imaginations -- and to contemplate the tragedy of failure and the legitimate evaluation if we

and told him he would be coming tomorrow for talks at Cairo Airport during a brief stopover on his way home to Washington.

In Cairo, Presidential Spokesman Saad Zaghloul Nassar told Reuters

that President Carter had telephoned

Mr. Sadat at 2045 (1845 GMT) today

Sadat of failing to match the desire of their peoples for peace. "The peoples of the two nations are ready now for peace," he said. He went on: "The leaders have peace. We must persevere with or

At one stage in his speech, Pres-

ident Carter seemed to accuse

both Premier Begin and President

without a peace treaty, Mr. Carter said it was important all parties to the Middle East conflict should be involved in the



President Carter delivering his emotional speech to the Israeli Knesset Monday. (AP wirephoto)

the Palestinians, with whom above all Israel shares a common interest for peace and to live in mutual respect. The President then told the

Israeli legislators: "The treaty between Israel and Egypt we hope to put before you promise to be the cornerstone of a comprehensive peace in the entire region, which will not be complete until it includes all those involved in the conflict." Mr. Carter did not specify the

stage now reached in the negotiations aimed at overcoming obstacles to an Israeli-Egyptian peace

Wisdom and courage are required of us all," the president said, "and so too are practicality

(continuing on page 6) Israeli troops,

#### Arab protesters clash throughout occupied W. Bank

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM. March 12 (R)--Two Arab youths were shot and wounded by Israeli troops in the West Bank today during demonstrations against President Carter's Middle East mission, Arab sources said. A third demonstrator was also

hurt as the troops clashed with protesters outside Bir Zeit College near Ramallah. The protesters had refused to

disperse after shouting anti-Israeli and anti-American slogans.

Earlier the Israeli military government banned a raily of mayors

and other notables at the college, a traditional centre for nationalist activity. The authorities closed off the area. Demonstrations erupted

throughout the West Bank today. Youngsters hurled stones at passing vehicles and set up roadblocks with burning tyres. Most high schools in the region

were closed after pupils decided not to show up, and the military authorities then ordered some to remain shut until further notice.

The village of Bir Zeit was put under curfew in the afternoon. Israeli military sources said.

Israeli troops used teargas at several places to disperse crowds of youths shouting slogans against President Carter and Egyptian leader Anwar Sadat, saying he was making a separate peace with

T. March 12 (R)-The Emir of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al Al Sabah and President Ahmed Sekou Toure of Guinea is today on strengthening bilateral relations, particularly mic fields. Officials said the two leaders also discussed East developments and Afro-Arab cooperation. Presoure, who arrived yesterday, left after today's talks. He n off by the Emir and other senior officials. The Guinea s touring Gulf states and Saudi Arabia.

AABI, March 12, (R)-The Abu Dhabi Fund for Arab ie Development said today it gave loans and grants total-l million dirhams (about \$404 million) to Arab, African an countries last year. The fund's director general Nasser eiss told the newspaper Al-Fajr that more than 1,603 dirhams (about \$400 million) were in loans for 42 ment projects. The fund's financial aid to Arab countries amounted to 800 million dirhams (about \$200 million),

N. March 12 (R)-West German officials said today they nfident that a plan to build two nuclear power plants at on the Gulf would eventually go ahead. West German ador Gerhard Ritzel raised the issue of the two reactors nilt by Krafoverk Union at a cost of eight billion marks (S ion) during a meeting with Prime Minister Mehdi Bazur crday. About 800 West Germans are still working on the nion of the two 1,200-megawatt plants out of an original erman work force of 1,900 according to the embassy. The strian to build 20 nuclear power stations in oil-rich Iran in as ars was one of the most ambitious projects of the deposed h and has come under sharp criticism since the revolution.

IA, March 12 (R)-Turkish-Cypriot leader Rauf Denkwed here today for talks with Turkish leaders, expected to # DR receiving economic aid for his self-proclaimed fedtate on the Mediterranean island. Mr. Denktash who is neet Turkish Premier Bulent Ecevit tomorrow, said they eview the political situation concerning Cyprus. United Secretary General Kurt Waldheim has invited the foreign s of the island's Turkish and Greek communities to New consultations before the expected resumption of inter-

the Minister Cornel Butrica held talks today with Kuwaiti ad Industry Minister Abdul-Wahhab Al Naferian Industry Minister Industry Minister Abdul-Wahhab Al Naferian Industry Minister Industry Mi oday on a two-day visit.

EWE 1 10 pairon 12 (R)—A number of oil industry helicopters an island in the Gulf and extra nent patrols have been ordered in the area. SERROLEPLE. newspapers quoting the minister of defence. One of the Kayhan, also quoted the minister, Gen. Ahmad Madani, EP'III' or stry had been dismissed. The newspapers reported Gen. as saying the helicopters flown out of Iran had taken off te oil-producing island of Lavan. The government ed earlier that it had decided to cancel Iran's four billion intract with the American Bell Aircraft Company, which ady pulled nearly all of its staff out of Iran.



## Arafat accuses Carter

BEIRUT, March 12 (R)--Palestinian commando leader Yasser President Carter's Middle East trip.

Mr. Arafat said the Arab region was a volcanic one."The first

He criticised President Carter for delivering a speech today in the

Mr. Arafat said the U.S. president had come to the Middle East "to

He said American experts had used South Lebanon as a testing

ISLAMABAD, March 12 of State, envisaged as a "northern tier" of Middle East states to help contain the Soviet Union. Britain, showing no surprise

Affairs Advisor Agha Shahi said don today it was up to regional powers to decide how best to defend themselves. A Foreign Office spokesman said the Pakistanis had informed Britain of their intention before

from the organisation said in Lon-

making their announcement. "It is for Pakistan and other regional members to decide how best their security interests should be served," the spokesman said. Britain would give full weight to their views, he added

Meanwhile, Indian Ambassador to Tehran, Mr. Vishnu Ahuja said today Iran and India have identical views on increasing

regional cooperation.

#### He said he discussed prospects revolutionary government.

TEHRAN, March 12 demonstrators braved hostile

revolutionary guards. Despite the tense atmosphere, no clashes were reported.

the air three times, twice with submehineguns, to break up throngs of men jostling and insultng the demonstrators.

The alliance was formed in 1955 with Iraq among its founder members and was known as the After the revolution in Iraq in 1958, the country took no further part in the pact and formally withprotests. The women of Tehran, and drew in March 1959. The head-

especially the better off and educated ones who had begun to enjoy a degree of emancipation under the Shah, were incensed by Ayatollah Khomeini's recent attempt to impose the traditional

chador (veil and cloak). The men tried to drown the

women's shrill shouts of "we didn't do a revolution to retreat centuries" and "we are Iranian women and will not be chained". The counter-demonstrators loudly welcomed a phalanx of

devout Moslem women in dark

chadors who joined in the anti-

feminist protest. "They are just sheep," hissed a young girl student in faultless English. Cries of "Allahu Akbar" (God is Great) from the traditionalists vied with leftist slogans in support

of women's liberation. The women protesters included the American feminist Kate Millett, who said yesterday Ayatollah Khomeini was seriously threaten-

ing women's rights in Iran.

The women, however, were unable to carry out their original plan of reading out a declaration at the toppled monarchy's grandiose Shahyad Monument in "Freedom Square" and eventually had to be shepherded into buses to get away from the counter-demonstrators.

Revolutionary guards opened fire again when some of the antifeminists stoned one of the buses. There were no injuries, however.

## Pakistan, Iran quit CENTO

Karim Sanjabi, but there were no that Pakistan was withdrawing specific proposals. Enlarging the membership of the Regional Cooperation for Development (RCD) organisation, which groups Iran, Pakistan and Turkey, was not discussed,

Mr. Ahuia told Reuters. An Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman said last night that Iran wanted to enlarge the RCD to include other regional countries. but did not say wich these might

A three-man Indian goodwill delegation led by Asoka Mehta, a senior member of the ruling Janata Party, is scheduled to arrive in Tehran tomorrow to meet leaders of Iran's provisional

### Irani women defy hostile crowds in protest march

(R)--Thousands of women crowds of religious supporters to march through Tehran today in protest at fran's increasingly strict enforcement of Islamic rules.

To continual taunts from groups of jeering, chanting men waving pictures of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, the women followed a five-kilometre route from Tehran University to "Freedom Square." escorted by a small number of

Revolutionary guards fired into

With the Shah overthrown just a month ago, this was the fourth demonstration by the feminist militants in five days, It was not as big as the 15,000-turnout last Thursday which touched off the

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#### **Diabolical policy**

ISRAELI Labour Party leader Shimon Peres averred, at yesterday's session of the Knesset in the presence of U.S. President Jimmy Carter, that Israel does not seek to dominate the Palestinians. Even coming from a leader of the opposition, in a typically stormy Knesset debate, the tone of Mr. Peres's remarks can not go unchallenged at this crucial phase of Mr. Carter's Middle East mission. And for the evidence with which to challenge Israeli statements, from whatever quarter, on the future of the occupied territories, we urge our readers, and President Carter and his aides, to study the documentation presented to the U.N. Security Council by Jordan's Permanent Representative. Dr. Hazem Nuseibeh, which we publish today on page 5.

That is the evidence of the true nature of Israeli colonial policies, under both Labour and Likud governments. It is a brutal reality that cannot be mitigated or diluted, no matter what guarantees Israel may choose at this point to affix its signature to.

It is evidence of a deep-seated Israeli determination to colonise Arab territory, to subdue its population, to manipulate its natural resources. The Israeli authorities may have found it necessary, during Mr. Carter's visit, to incareerate the zealots of the Gush Emunim settler movement. but their fanatical zealotry reigns unfettered in these diabolical Israeli policies.

Israeli policy in the occupied territories is a crime against nature as well as a crime against humanity. It is worth reminding Mr. Carter at the end of his first visit to Israel that nothing can conceivably justify the enactment by the Jewish state against another people of the horrific crimes of displacement, expropriation, and cultural and economic strangulation which were once perpetrated against the Jewish people.

That is what makes Israel's position today so illogical. and untenable. These facts cannot be disguised forever in the diplomatic exercise of formulating peace treaties or shaping security guarantees. For if the policy of aggression pursued against the Palestinian people in their own land isn't bad enough, the effects of it are calculated to have demographic, economic and environmental implications further afield. This is the reality which we, as neighbours of Israel, have to live with, and of which Mr. Carter, in his earnest desire to make peace, should be made aware.

#### **ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY**

AL RA'I Monday editorially says that it would be naive to believe that the current negotiations taking place in occupied Jerusalem are aimed at effecting an Israeli withdrawal or recognition of the legitimate rights of the Palestinians. Peace in Camp David terms is a suspicious peace that seeks to entrench the Israeliin occupied Arab territories. The Arabs in general as well as the Palestinians in particular are justified in rejecting the Camp David peace "which is designed to liquidate the Palestinian as well as undermine the whole Arab nation cause", the paper concludes.

AL DUSTOUR believes that whether or not President Carter denounces Israel for the failure of peace negotiations, the fact remains that the world is aware of who the real agressor is. If President Sadat embarked on his peace mission on the pretext that "viable alternatives" to his initiative are lacking in the Arab world, then it is time to remind him that the situation has changed. particularly following the Baghdad summit and Iran's declaration of support for the Arab cause which give new momentum for the Arabs to achieve the equitable peace envisaged by the United Nations, the paper concludes.

#### WHAT'S GOING ON

Photo Exhibit

The French Cultural Centre is displaying a photo exhibit on "80 Years of French Cinema" during regular hours.

French Documentary

The French Cultural Centre presents the fifth in a series of documentaries on the French cinema entitled "Vers le realisme poetique." The film is at 6:00 p.m. on Monday.

BBC T.V. Film

The British Council presents the BBC's television production of Shakespeare's "Macbeth" directed by John Gorrie and stars Eric Porter and Janet Suzman. The film starts at 6:00 p.m.

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#### Two royal decrees for U. of J. appointments

AMMAN, March 12 (JNA)--A Royal decree was issued today appointing Dr. Abdul 'Aziz Al Khayyat to the position of Dean ed the Shari'a Faculty of the University of Jordan. Another decree issued today approved the university's board of trustee's decision to promote Dr. Hassan Abdul Oader Saleh, now head of the Geography Department to full professor status.

#### U.S. aviation team leaves, Syrians continue talks

AMMAN, March 12 (JNA) -- A team from the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration left here today following a four-day visit during which it held discussions with the director general of the Civil Aviation Directorate. The discussions were on air safety and the development of Jordan's air control systems. Meanwhile, the joint Syrian-Jordanian civil aviation committee resumed meetings today at the Civil Aviation Directorate with the object of drawing up a unified system for aviation control and safety to be used by both

#### Libya donates JD 500,000 for Moslem orphans' school

AMMAN, March 12 (JNA)--The Libyan ambassador to Jordan. Saleh Al Sanoussi, yesterday handed the Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs, Kamel Al Sharif, a cheque for JD 500,000 as a first contribution by Libva to the construction of a vocational training school for Moslem orphans to be built in the Marka district of

#### Conference calls on Islamic nations to condemn Zionist desecration

AMMAN, March 12 (JNA) -- A general Islamic conference held here vesterday called on the Arab and Islamic nations to stand up to Zionist desecration of holy places in Jerusalem and other parts of the occupied Arab territories. A statement issued at the end of the meeting attended by Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs and religious leaders from around the country also called on various world human rights groups to denounce Zionist practices in the occupied territories which it said constitute violations of human rights principles and the region's religious heritage. The statement was distributed to Arab and Islamic countries' ambassadors accredited to Jordan, and to Jordanian embassies abroad. The participants also sent cables explaining Israel's unlawful practices to the U.N. Secretary General, Kurt Waldheim, UNESCO and world Islamic

## Coming & Going

director back from U.S. symposium

AMMAN, March 12 (JNA)--Director of the Mother and Child Health Department at the Health Ministry, Dr. Mohammad Al Halabi returned here today from a visit to the United States. He took part in a .... four-week symposium on family planning held at the Johns Hopkins University last month. Taking part in the symposium were directors of mother and child health centres in various countries of Asia, the Americas and Africa, A Health Ministry spokesman here said meanwhile that the ministry is currently carrying out a project to develop and increase child and The project is being implemented in cooperation with the U.N. Population Fund, UNICEF and the World Health Organisation

#### Transport minister off to Greece and W. Germany

AMMAN, March 12 (JNA)--Minister of Transport Ali Suheimat leaves for Greece and West Germany on March 19 at the head of an official delegation from the Ministry of Transport, the Directorate of Civil Aviation and Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline. During his visit to Greece the minister will sign a Greek-Jordanian transport agreement, and in West Germany he will sign an agreement for a West German loan to Jordan to finance consultative services for construction projects of the Aqaba Railway Corporation.

#### Amman's mayor returns from Baghdad talks

AMMAN, March 12 (JNA)--The Mayor of Amman, Main Abu Nuwwar, returned here last night at the end of a five-day visit to Baghdad. During the visit the Mayor held talks with officials of the Baghdad Municipality on cooperation in municipal affairs. including exchange of expertise, between the cities of Amman and Baghdad. He also toured various projects carried out by the Baghdad municipality over the past few years. The mayor was accompanied by a three-member delegation.

#### Polish planning minister arrives for trade talks

RAMTHA, March 12 (JNA)--Polish Minister of State for Planning arrived in Amman from Damascus today on a fiveday visit to Jordan. In a statement upon arrival here he said his talks with Jordanian officials will deal with ways of increasing economic cooperation between Jordan and Poland and the increase of trade between the two countries. The Polish Minister will also be touring development projects in the Jordan Valley region and the phosphate mines in Russeifa, northeast

Mother and child dept. Finance minister leaves for Jeddah

> AMMAN, March 12 (JNA)--Minister of Finance. Mohammad Dabbas, left for Jeddah yesterday to take part in the board of directors' meetings of the Islamic Development Bank, The meetings are due to start today.

#### 500 Jordanian students to visit Iraq

AMMAN, March 12 (JNA)--Some 500 Jordanian students will leave for Baghdad on March 22 for a visit to Iraq at the invitation of the Iraqi Ministry of Education. The week-long visit in part of the cultural cooperation programme between Jordan and

### Permanent industrial fair will offer more than machine exhibits

By Ron Cathell Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, March 11-After weiting 26 years for the right conditions, Jordan is to have its own international fair to exhibit consumer goods, food stuffs, industrial hardware, the latest agricultural technology, pharmaceuticals and almost everything else which can be bought or sold.

Since 1952, following World War Two, when young Crown Prince Hussein inaugurated the first industrial fair of the region in Amman, local authorities have been watching for economic conditions to be ripe for a permanent fair to be successivi.

The purpose of the fair is to help spur Jordan's according by generating trade. With Jordan's next Five-Year Plan designed to turn the country into an exporter instead of an importer. Jordan wants the world to see what it has to offer.

"This is a great opportunity for Jordan." Director of the Ammen Chamber of Industry, All Dalani, told the Jordan Times today. "This is not a wishful dream. It is a praetical idea. I believe we now have the potential. We wint to expand our economic boundaries. This is our amerition, and I think we can succeed because vio have the expert munpower necessary and we are developing rapidly.

Besides being a showcase for Jordan's products, the fait wisalso introduce new technologies from other countries. Last year, twelve countries held similar exhibitions despite the difficulties. of finding adequate facilities and organising personned

mit will assumed meeting the meeting place nationally, reg-ionally and in transpally." Mr. Delent sud, reenting out that it will attract many American the region who want to exercise sure as technologies and capture has here opportunities, n'Abd n's ... be tun for families to constant. I see selfhe in littleli, rest arans, and a park", he said, "besides roval suites, business offices and several exhibition halls and pavillions.

All products on display won't benuts and bolts, monstrous machinery or industrial equipment. Children, and even adults, will be able to enjoy seeing. artwork and handicrafts made by Jordan's schoolkids. There will also be a special section of the fair to exhibit agricultural items: both machinery and food products. All kinds of domestic and foreign food will be on display. Guests to the pair will be able to sample international flavours in the confectionary section.

So far, progress on the fair has been moving along well. Last year a committee was formed to do inital planning for the fair with members from the National Plan-. ning Council, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, the Public-Works Department, the Ministry of Tourism, the Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber of Industry and private sector companies. The committee has drawn up a preliminary design for the fair and expects to offer tender for the master plan by the end of April. The chairman of the committee is Dr. Hashem Dabbas, undersecretary to the minister of industry.

When the master plan and specifications are completed. which should be by the end of 979, construction can begin and invitations will be sent to countries to participate in the exhibition by building their own permanent pavillions. From the point, "it will be tive years before the fair is in tuli swing, but many things could be starteds carlier" Mr. Dajani

The government has already acquired 456,000 square metres of land for the fair, 15 kilometres, southwest of Amman at Mari Al. Hamam, When tinished, the fair . via. boast 675,000 square metres their area in halldings and er authlion halfs, it will cost at least

#### Using plasticulture

I read with interest Mr. Rami Khouri's article plasticulture" in Jordan, since I have been growing v. under plastic in my garden in Amman since 1968.

In his comments to the Jordan Times, Dr. Rushdier two advantages of "plasticulture," viz. higher day tir erature for increased photosynthesis and a raised temps night. He has, however, missed a third which in my exp equally important, namely humidity. Unlike glass, plastic traps escaping moisture from the soil and produces wh called a "sweating effect," a semitropical dampness, 1 leaf plants like lettuces, the result is very tender leaves for cating compared with the tough, leathery leaves? grown outside in the low humidity of Jordan.

Incidentally, for readers who may wish to expend plastic in their gardens, they may like to make cloches. runnels, as I do. Buy some 8-mm wire, cut m lengths of and bend into half circles. Push the ends into the ground these hoops every half metre down the row of plants. T with a strip of plastic and peg the plastic to the ground a Your plants are then enclosed in their miniature plas One end should be left open in the daytime when ten rise steeply, and can be lowered at night when temperat use green-tinted plastic to avoid leaf-scorch but clea equally effective.

Department of English University of Jordan Amman March 11, 1979.

#### Good response

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He also stresses the hank's concentration on financing projects within Jordan, though it will attract deposits from Arab chizens in other countries of the region. "Our first aim is to build our own country, which we hope to do by sunking a good balance between our own purposes as a bank and the aims of the development of the country," Dr. Homond says.

The principles of Islamic banking mean there is a greater sharing. of the risk of any new project or company between the awner of the company and the bank and the depositors who've placed their sayings in the bank. This will provide for greater profits for the hank and the depositors if the project being financed makes large profits, but it also means the bank and the depositors will make a smaller profit if the project proves less successful.

Because of the shared respon-

sibility and risk for new investments, the bank will choose its investments carefully, spreading them over a wide spectrum of the economy. To begin with, Dr. riomoud says, the bank will pronably restrict investments in single projects to between JD 50,000 and JD 100,000, on the assumption that deposits within the first year of operation will reach around nearly ID 4 million.

As a precaution, the bank will always maintain a special cash reserve fund from which it will make dividend payments in years when profitability may decline. But this is expected to be rare. because the bank will spread out its investments across a wide spectrum of economic activity in the country, to reduce vulnerability to economic slowdowns in any single sector, such as real

estate or commerce. The bank will undertake two basic kinds of investment. The first is known as the common investment, which uses the bank's copital and its deposits to finance new businesses, trade, agricultural projects of real estate schemes.

Typically, the bank would lend, for example, JD 100,000 to finance a new factory. After three years, when the factory starts pro-

### European leaders urged to limit protectionism

By Lee S. Tesdell Special to the Jurdan Times

AMMAN, March 12--The Tederation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce told the Jordan Times teday that its parent organisation., the International Chamber of Commerce (I.C.C.) has urged that economic protectionism be discouraged around the world. The international group is timing its message to coincide with the Paris meeting of the leaders of the European community and the Tokyo Round of multilateral trade negotiations.

(See related stories - Page 8.)

Mr. Ahmad Sager, a staff member at the downtown offices of the Federation told the Jordan Times today that "the point here is some countries are trying to hinder trade." The I.C.C. statement

na. The statement says, tinuing uncertainty about the outcome of the negotiations and the future of international trade has been an unsettling factor for several years... summit meetings have rejected protectionism; but there has none the less been a drift to protectionist action by governments in many countries... Failure of the negotiations would aggravate the pressures towards economic nationalism, endanger

the whole structure of international trade tules, and open the door to conflicts which might have grave political as well as economic repercussions.

Asked about his group's role. Mr. Sager said that they had sent copies of the document to the National Consultative Council and the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and chambers of commerce in Jordan.

The Federation here in Jordan has responsibility for arranging and assisting with visits by foreign business groups to Jordan, It is also a member of the board of directors of the LC.C. whose membership includes 50 nations.



JD 10,000 a year, the bank will take 25 per cent of the annual profit for itself, the owner of the facfory will take 25 per cent of him-(or ID 5,000) would be placed in a compulsory savings account in the bank in the name of the factory owner. After 20 years, the compulsory savines account would reach JD 100,000, which would pay back the original foan and the factory would become the full property of the factory owner. while the bank would have earned JD 2,500 annually as its share of the factory's profits during the 20

The second type of investment is known as a "special project" investment, in which the bank really acts as an agent for an indevidual or an institution that asks. the bank to invest a large sum of its money, say JD 250,000, in a specific project chosen by the investor. In this case, the fordan-Islamic Bank will take a percentage of the profit of the project being financed, while the investor bears the full risk it the project does not make any profit at all. To avoid the possibility of special investments monopolising the staff's resources, the bank will limit special project investments to no more than ten per cent of total investments.

If a special project investment shows no profit, the bank itself makes no profit either.

In another case, the bank may approach a landowner whose piece of land is sitting idle in an area where there is demand for office or housing space. The bank will put up a building with its own money, and manage the building itself for a certain number of years. When the building starts

generating revenues from key money payments and rents, the bank will take 25 per cent of the revenues for its own profit and 75 self, and 50 per cent of the profit per cent will go into the compulsory savings account in the name of the landowner. When the money in the compulsory savings becount reaches the amount that was required to pay for the building, the bank takes the money and the building becomes the property of the Lindowner.

In the case of buildings, the key money that can be collected during the first year of operation can often pay for the entire cost of the project, in which case the landowner can own the building after a very short period of time, without having paid any money from his own pocket. Similarly, the bank will have made a good profit in a short period of time.

Dr. Homoud recalls the time when he wanted to publish his doctoral dissertation in the form

3,000 copies, with the agreement that 1.500 copies were the property of Dr. Homoud but the profit from the sale of the other 1,500 copies would be shared 50-50. between Dr. Homoud and the lender. Three months after borrowing the ID 1,400, the 1,500 books were sold for JD 1,800. Thus his triend got back his JD 1,000 and half the profit of JD 800. So his friend made a new proth of IO 400 in three months-a very high 40 per cent return on investment -- by using the principle of profit-sharing.

offer the full range of normal commercial banking services, including transfers or money, lettery of credit, toreign exchange and documentary credits, but these services will be paid for by the destorner on a commission basis. This is not considered usury because the commission is paid in

The Jordan Islamic Bank will

return for services rendered. The bank's profits on commission services are not included in the pool of annual profits from investments that are shared among the depositors at the end of the year.

Total volume traded, Monday, March 12: Jl) 31,224

of a book but lacked the money to. The bank will also gradually pay for it himself. He borrowed open branches throughout the ID 1,000 from a friend to print country, particularly in districts, such as north Jordan and the vallev, where there are opportunities for investment in local industrial or agricultural projects.

> Trade financing will work in a similar manner as project financing. If a trader wants to import 100 cars worth JD 200,000, the bank will buy the cars for the trader in cahs and will sell them to him for the same amount, which he will repay over a certain number of years. The bank will take a profit from him based on a share of the profit he expects to make from selling the cars. It he sells the 100 cars for JD 250,000, the bank sees he is making a profit of JD 50,000. and may take JD 10,000 or JD 20,000 for itself, or whatever is agreed upon between them. This

is called a Murabadah agreement. On a smaller scale, an individual may want to buy a car to operate as a taxt cab. The bank will buy the car for him by paying eash; as the driver operates it, the bank will take a certain percentage of his annual income for its profits, the driver will take a percentage to

pulsory savings account in the name of the driver. After a few years, depending on how much annual profit the driver makes, his savings account will cover the original cost of the car, and the car becomes his property.

Bonds based on profit-sharing will also be issued and underwritten by the Jordan Islamic Bank. These are known as Muqaradah bonds, and the person who buys a bond will not receive a quaranteed percentage interest payment every year, but rather will receive a certain percentage of the annual profits of the project that is being financed by the bonds. The bonds will be redeemable at par with the bank at any time before maturity, and will be guaranteed by the Jordanian government to be repaid at par at

A bond issue of JD 4-5 million. for ten years is being organised now to finance commercial building projects that the Ministry of Awgaf is planning for some of its unused land. The Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank has committed itself to buy up to 50 cover his family's living expenses. Per cent of any issue of Muqaradah bonds floated in Jorand the rest will go into a com- dan, Dr. Homoud said.

### LOCAL **EXCHANGE RATES**

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Jordan-Kuwan Bank	JD 1.000	231	_	1.650	1.650
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Investment Co.	JD 1.000	650	2.150		3,200
General Mining Co.	3D 1.000	886	0.900	0.920	0.910
Jordan Ceramic Industries	JD 1.000	92	0.910	0.430	0.920
Arah Alaminium Co.	JD 1.000	987	430	0,950	0.940
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Agricultural Co.	JD 1.000	706	2.350		2.580
Jordan Tanning Co.	JD 5.000	275	4.500	10,000	9.500
Jordan Lime and Bricks Industries Co.	JD 5,000	920		_	4,600
Jordan Bank	JD 5,000	4,018	7.400	7,450	7,400
Arab Bank	JD 10,000	4.070	72,000	_	75.000
Carro-Amman Bank	JD 5,000	3,954	6.580	8.590	6.590

#### TODAY'S WEATHER

There will be clouds at different levels with lights scattered rain in the northern part of Jordan. Winds will be westerly moderate. In Aqaba Gulf it will be dusty at times with southerly moderate winds

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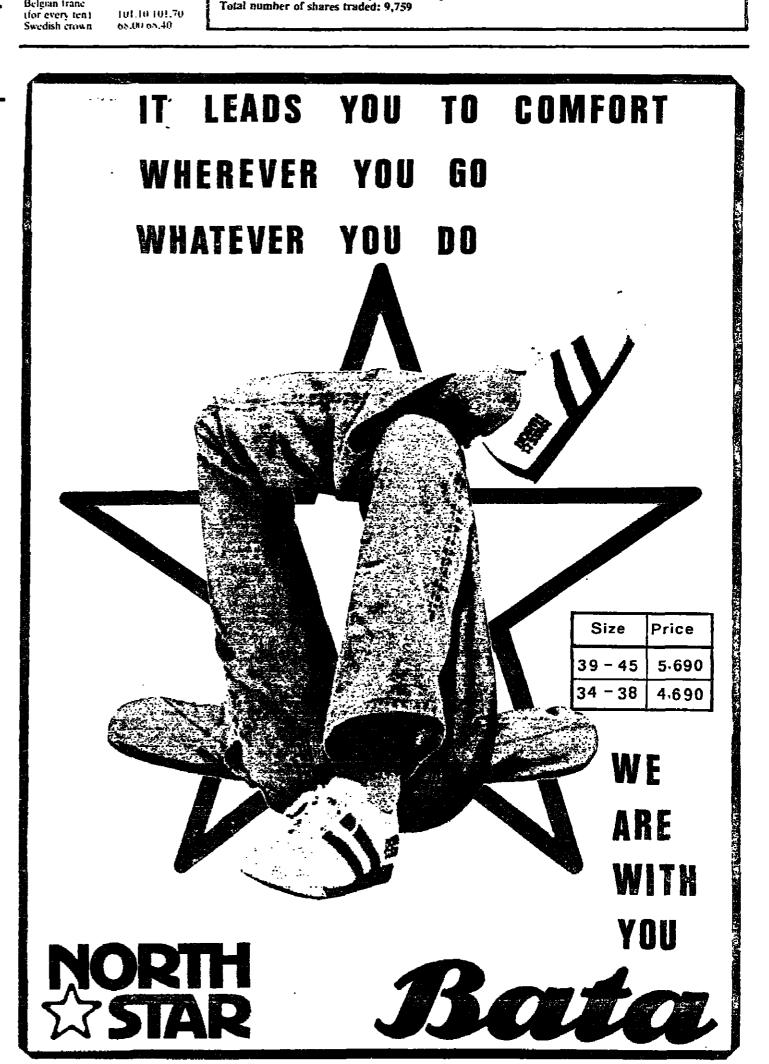
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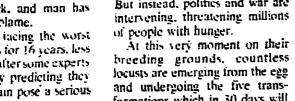


# The scourge could be prevented if.

By Hugh Pain

ROME, March 12--The locusts are coming back, and man has only himself to blame.

The world is facing the worst plague of locusts for 16 years, less than 18 months after some experts were confidently predicting they woold never again pose a serious



technology, the money and the manpower are ready for the fight. But instead, politics and war are intervening, threatening millions

breeding grounds, countless poorest people. locusts are emerging from the egg and undergoing the five transformations which in 30 days will

For the first time in history and make them adults.

In another month they too will breed, each female laying up to 100 eggs at a time. And every day. each two-gram insect will devour its own weight of crops or foliage. the thin lifeline of the world's

With grim irony, the breeding grounds are in the very regions where the control teams cannot

> visit for political reasons. In Iran, for instance, FAO

The rains have been good this spring in southern Iran. Unchecked, the locusts are multiplying there. If FAO could get to them, most of them could be killed. As it is, a plague is certain.

But with a guerrilla war in Eritrea and with the Ogađen barred absolutely after last year's fighting, nothing can be done except to wait and wonder which country will suffer.

Gliding at up to 3,000 metres altitude in a compact mass, the locusts effortlessly ride the wind. landing wherever it takes them along a broad band from the Atlantic to southwest Asia.

And where they land, simple

travel and the antilocust planes cannot fly: Iran, parts of Oman, the Yemens, the Ogaden, Eritrea.

"We are fighting in the dark," said locust expert Jean Roy at the Rome headquarters of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), which coordinates the fight against the desert locust.

We have good reason to believe there are swarms in all these centres, which we cannot

knows there were swarms in December. "Since then we have had no reliable information. For security reasons there is not a single United Nations team left in the country.

In the same way, the Danakil

Desert of Eritrea and Ethiopia's southern Ogaden region are both known to contain locusts. A FAO report in January spoke of "ideal breeding conditions" while in other parts of Ethiopia swarms covering six square kilometres have been destroyed.

Because locusts know no boundaries, the country which allows them to breed may escape while. far away, destruction falls literally out of a clear blue sky.

The essential part of control is to catch the locusts early. It is relatively cheap and easy to destroy the swarms on the ground at the "hopper" stage, before the 30 days are up and the insects take

Once this opportunity has been missed they spread and devastate with incredible speed, eating any green plant they find.

On their own they can move at only about 20 kilometres per hour," said Mr. Roy. But if the wind is right a swarm can move from the Empty Quarter of Saudi Arabia to Gujarat in India--2,000 kilometres--in a single flight."

arithmetic shows the result.



Two bundred locusts can fit into one square metre.

"On one square metre," said Mr. Roy, "you could easily get 200 locusts. And swarms covering 100 square kilometres of ground are not unknown, which makes 200 million insects each eating their own weight each day.

"So someone, somewhere, is going to lose 400 tonnes of vegetation just to feed one awarm. Even day.

The world has enjoyed nearly 17 years without a serious locust plague--the longest respite in recorded history. FAO has spent the time developing techniques ready for the day of their return-techniques already used with success in, among others, Saudi Arabia and Somalia.

Twice a day, satellike photographs of the earth are studied to detect rainfail in potential breeding areas. These results are compared with pictures from another satellite. Landsat, which shows where vegetation is springing up.

If the conditions favour locust breeding, headquarters in Rome alerts the local organisation. which sends in a team by air if possible, or by landrover, came! or even on foot.

Wherever the team reports a significant number of locusts, light aircraft follow to spray pesticides. while the insects are still at the

hopper state. Extremely low concentrations are effective, making the operation simple and cheap: In a good year, total expen-

diture on detection and control

amounts to no more than \$15-20 million worldwide. But once they have flown, as happened in India and Pakistan in

1962, difficulty, cost and damage rise vertically. Unlike the World Health Organisation in its fight against

another biblical scourge. smallpox, FAO does not forcesee the day of total eradication. "We need to achieve a kill-rate of 90-95 per cent simply to keep the locust population level," said Mr. Roy. "With millions of square

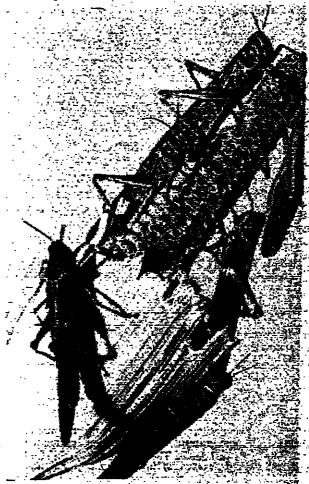
impossible aim. Fortunately, it is not necessary. The more modest goal of early detection and spraying could keep the threat permanently at bay.

kilometres to survey, eliminating

every single insect would be an

As it is, for avoidable political reasons, even this seems unattainable. And later this year, probably around June and July, in North Africa or the Sahel or the Near East or India-Pakistan. because of someone else's distant war, destruction will descend มีอุดิก a hapless population.

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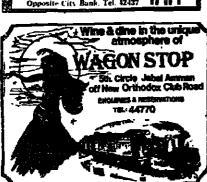
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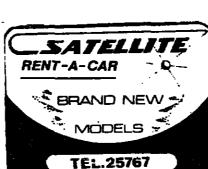
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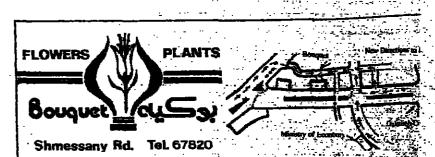


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### Jordan's U.N. delegate says in Security Council speech

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NOTE: Following is the complete text of a statement for the United Nations Security Council on March 4, by Nistelliell, Jordan's Permanent Representative to the

SIDENT

all and long are the paths which we tread, dark and it our pathless destination. These sober poetic verses rely and pointedly portray the systematic marryrdom tpied territories and their indigenous Palestinian and victims. I can think of no issue in the entire broad Middle East conflict which is more loaded with potentiable disaster than the subject of our current condebate, over the systematic, ruthless, heedless and alley and practice of Israeli colonication and despote. West Bank, whose heartland and immortal soul is them, as well as the Gaza Strip, the Golan Heights and almost as includes fundamentally the new proclass fundamentally.

tsue involves, fundamentally, the very survival of the people or their eventual perdition in the remnants of land. It is literally a sinking ship signalling an 5 O.S. succeeds, irretrievably, into the fathamless sea. The must can the horizon of the occupied territories is tast fading to be distant twilight and has reached the point where it is the point of invisibility and surgical metamorphosis arculating a little map, us well as a few explanatory

ch portray more than any words can ever do, the imensions and magnitude of the Israeli occupation cunnibalisation, crosson and dismanding of the Palesle's dwarfed and remaining enclaves on their Palestral homeland. The little map, as distinguished members of council will immediately grasp, is studded ost and numbers of settlements which have already tructed on confiscated Palestinian lands. These bid numbers cover the period ending Dec 31, 1975, maing Israeli colonisation is almost a daily occurrence axing for laymen at the Mission to make a timely n appropriate aggregate charity, of the emusculation printinually taking place.

month of January, my Government's instructions had (jiste the complaint with the three new additional settlement in the Kfar-etzion complex between and Hebron, and Huwwara, a few miles to the east of the interimsince, these have been superseded by newer constructed, under construction or in the offing. But builted to this august Council, even without the additions, is as sordid, horrendous and dark, as malignantial col cancerous cells, rashes of bubonic plague which has and continues to erode any viable or meaningful or the Palestinian people in their occupied homeland, any future tenable existence at all.

967, we have been requesting, pleading and urging Assembly and the Security Council to take decisive bring the Israeli usurpers, highway robbers and to their senses, and to desist and rescind all these bich flagrantly and blatantly violate international law, lienable rights of the indigenous people; the Fourth avention of 1949, which is both forthright and categoriding for safeguarding the rights of the civilian popuration.

rurity Council and other United Nations bodies have ently responsive to our pleas in words and resolutions in we are most grateful—that incredibly ineffectual d in actions and deeds. Their masterly inaction and have already created an untenable and impossible inch renders any talk about a peaceful resolution to eat the equivalent of sometic chimerical, meaningless and outright deceitful, have reached a point of no return geared to the abyss on course towards disaster. It is perfectly undertalk about Security Council resolutions 242 and 338

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OPTIKO fact, as a feasible framework for bringing about a plution to the Middle East conflict. But what is not the best ble is the failure to recognise, in spite of repeated at the Israeli occupation authorities have, over the lears, preempted and torpedoed the letter and spirit resolution on the ground. The Israelis are undistrmined to seize the land, the resources and to dispose inian people until nothing is left for them to survive plution for all intents and purposes has been butched all the previous United Nations resolutions, notably admitted to membership of the United Nations, by pledging to honour and implement them, only to ng achieved its objective.

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from generalities to specifics, what exactly have the ation authorities perpetrated up to the end of 1978?

the million six hundred twenty-five thousand dunums of land — a dunum is one thousand square it statistics concede the confiscation of 1,500,000 in by accepting Israeli figures, the confiscated lands is per cent of the total area of the tiny West Bank fiscated lands, buildings and properties comprise the legories:

p-called "state domains," which are in fact the comisson of the various town and village centres and have by them for countless centuries. Thus, the sixty nums confiscated at Khan-ul-Ahmar, ten miles from dan and where the Israeli occupation has constructed



Jordan's U.N. delegate Dr. Hazem Nuscibeh (right) delivers his speech to the Security Council in New York on Thursday, Looking on is PLO representative to the U.N. Mr. Zohdi Tarazi.

an industrial complex, with full infrastructure and housing, belong undisputably to the villagers of Eizariyah. Abu Dees and Silwan, suburbs of Jerusalem. It is there that the villagers have been cultivating and grazing for centuries.

2. Confiscation of the lands and properties of the so-called "absentee owners." They are all West Bank inhabitions and happened to be omside of the country when the June war broke out. They have been denied repatriation to their homes and homeland, and yet the Israelis call them "absentees."

3. Foreclosure and confiscation of lands in the West Bank, even where the owners are right there, on the spurious, notorious and inimical grounds of so-called security and military needs. What security or military grounds can be served by depriving a villager of his life-sustaining livelihood, is a question which only the Mafia-Israeli military commanders can answer.

It is noteworthy to recall that, recently the villagers of Nebi Saleh, to the West of Jerusalem, whose lands had been expropriated by the military on grounds that they did not possess title-deeds, brought action before the Supreme Court, in which they produced documentation and evidence of uninterrupted possession, including tax payment receipts. When the villagers won the case, the Israeli Government ceased the confiscation of other lands on grounds of validity of possession. All their notices of expropriation to the victims have since been based on grounds of security or military, over which courts have no jurisdiction what-

4. Forcing the farmers to substitute their lands for more marginal ones, resulting in further land fragmentation, dispersal and flight from the land, to the slave-labour market of the Israeli economy.

5. There have been instances of outright forgeries, in collusion with the occupation authorities, where individuals who do not own, or have any entitlement to a piece of land, had sold it on false pretences. The Arab and Israeli papers published several instances of such calculated fraud.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The close to one-third of the West Bank expropriated so far has not spared a single area or location. Upwards of 74 settlements and residential areas colonised by the Israelis -- they were 68 up to the end of 1978 -- have been constructed on three hundred forty-seven thousand eight hundred seventy-four (347,874) dunums and their breakdown is indicative, beyond any shadow of doubt, of the overall strategy and strategic plans which the Israeli usurpers are bent on achieving -- time and the availability of sufficient immigrants being the only constraints.

The geographic breakdown of colonisation on parts of the one-and-a-half million dunums of land is as follows:

1. Jerusalem and its environs -- ninety four thousand five hundred sixty-four (94,564) dunums. The Israeli settlers in Arab Jerusalem are estimated at 40 to 50 thousand intruders. But numbers -- ominous as they are -- fail to convey the full tale. By Israeli colonisation, Palestinian Arab East Jerusalem, a mere small portion of Palestinian Arab Jerusalem of 1948, which included 70 per cent of Western misnamed "Israeli" Jerusalem, has been expanded lifteen-fold. It presently stretches from the doorsteps of Bethlehem in the south to the twin towns of Ramallah and Bireh in the north -- a stretch of 40 kilometres.

If this were not enough, General Sharon who, but for outside duplicity and threat, could easily have been incarcerated with his 15,000-man bulge in the war of 1973 by Egypt's first army, has disclosed his designs to increase Jerusalem's population to one million. Where will this avalanche of people settle? General Sharon reckons with two possibilities:

First -- the compulsive fading away of the one hundred and five thousand (105,000) Palestinian Arab Jerusalemites, weary and exhausted by the strangulation of a ghetto and untenable existence -- or so he calculates. Furthermore, if East Jerusalem's boundaries have been expanded with impunity to Bethlehem and Ramallah, it should not be insurmountable to expand them much further to Hebron in the south and to Nablus in the north, incorporating along the way the lands, residential quarters and villages of an ever depleted and stagnant population. At least this is how Sharon calculates. For since there is an ever-expanding universe, why not an infinitely expanding Jerusalem? It presently constitutes one-fifth of the entire West Bank.

The racist and religious exclusiveness is best proved by the fact that after the 1967 war, the Israeli authorities decreed that after the 1967 war, the Israeli authorities decreed that all construction and settlement shall not be conducted in the western parts of Jerusalem, which are far more spacious and already usurped and in Israeli control, but in the Palestinian Arab eastern sectors, to achieve the closing of the ring and the choking of the Palestinian inhabitants.

Second -- Ramallah and Bireh townships: thirty five thousand six hundred (35,600) dunums upon which twelve settlements have been constructed.

Third -- Hebron - Bethlehem and Jericho towns where one hundred and sixteen thousand (116,000) dunums have been colonised on twelve settlements.

Fourth -- Nablus - Tulkarm and Jenin cities where twenty

thousand eight hundred and sixty (20,860) dunums have been colonised in fourteen settlements. This represents a part of Likud's policy of Israel's creeping expansion from the west into the Palestinian Arab's remaining habitat. I shall elaborate later on the strategic plans of both the Labour coalition and the Likud.

Fifth — The Jordan Valley, where eighty thousand sevenhundred (80,700) dunums have been colonised in nineteen settlements. I should add here that but for the town of Jericho and a few adjacent agricultural Palestinian Arab villages, such as 'Uojah, the whole of the Jordan Valley in the West Bank from south to north, from Beisan to the Dead Sea, is firmly settled by Israeli colonisers. Not only have they bored deep water wells, which turned dry or excessively saline the existing Arab wells. They have also been pumping as much water as they need to maximise their exploitation of this tertile off-season valley at the expanse of the Palestinian farmers. My Government's figures indicate that there are already 91,000 fsmeli colonisers in Arab Jerusalem, its environs and the rest of the West Bank.

MR. PRESIDENT

I have spoken about land and people in as broad and abridged a presentation as I could possibly do, to convey the message without imposing excessively on your precious time.

I feel duty-bound to acquaint this esteemed Council with another dimension to the plight of our people under occupation—one which many believe goes a long way to explaining one of the ultimate aims of Israeli colonisation. The sickening repetition of "security" grounds by the Israeli aggressors is not even worth replying to. For one of the foremost objectives of Israeli planners is to exploit the water resources of the West Bank, amounting to 895 million cubic metres.

805 million cubic metres.

Considering that the consumption of water in the West Bank did not exceed 120 million cubic metres in the year 1977, because of Israeli control of Palestinian wells by installing meters on existing wells, destruction of others, and the refusal to give any permits for additional drilling, except for the Israeli colonisers, in addition to the stagnation if not depletion of the existing population, it will be seen that there remains in the West Bank a substantial surplus of unutilised water, amounting to 630 to 750 million cubic metres of water fit for irrigation, housing consumption, as well as industrial uses.

The water resources from various sources in the 1948 Israeli-held territories were estimated in 1977 at one billion six hundred and fifty thousand cubic metres, according to the figures presented by the Israelis to the Desertification Conference, held in Nairobi, Kenya in September 1977. Thirty-six per cent, or the equivalent of 610 million cubic metres are procured from Lake Tiberius and the fountainhead of the Yarkun River in Palestine, both of which derive water from the watershed of Syria, the River Jordan and its tributanes.

The confluence runs in two lines across the centre of the country to the south and thence to the Naqab at a capacity of 290 million cubic metres per annum. The remaining 64 per cent is derived from water wells bored in the mountainous regions, the coastal area and other accumulations.

With the manifold increase in the Israeli population, in consequence of vast immigration and expansion of agriculture and industry. Israel's consumption of water for agriculture, industry and domestic uses has increased from 426 million cubic metres in 1948 to 1,600 million cubic metres in 1977.

Consequently, Israel has, since the early seventies, been consuming all the available water resources. This year water consumption will approximate 1.820 million cubic metres. In 1985, consumption is expected to reach 2.000 million to 2,100 million cubic metres, with an expected deficit of 415 to 510 million cubic metres, assuming that agricultural consumption remains constant, the Israeli authorities have long decided to take the water resources of the West Bank, along with the land and the people, in a massive hijacking, and to suck the blood and water of the Palestinian people, in order to satisfy their own avarice and expansion.

Anyone in his senses, who is beguiled to think that the Israelis will ever voluntarily relinquish the occupied territories, must be either ignorant of their plans and intentions, or simply glosses

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over them pretending that they do not exist, and timidly refusing to confront their implications for the survival of the Palestinian people. The Israelis are behaving like vampires and vultures which prey on the remains of the victims. The last thing they want is to "live and let live," and since the Palestinians adamantly refuse to fade away, the Israeli occupation authorities have devised an overall strategy to contain what they regard not as fellow human beings, but as impediments to be removed.

MR. PRESIDENT:

I shall try to explain the strategic objectives of the policy of settlements and colonisation.

First -- there are presently three substantial belts of settlements. The first and earliest one is almost the whole of the Jordan Valley, with the aim of cutting the West Bank's populated areas from any physical contact with East Jordan as contiguous territories. The fact that Palestinians are allowed to visit occasionally their closest kin on the West Bank is a part of the lucrative tourist plans, after the capture of Arab Jerusalem and its holy places, which is presently netting to Israel's coffers close to \$1,000 million per annum. Agricultural exports are permitted in order to prevent them from competing and beating the highly subsidised Israeli products.

This belt of the Jordan Valley is known in political terms as the "Allon line" or plan with its accompanying wire tences, electronic equipment and colonisation.

The second belt presently comprises nine agricultural and industrial complexes, the biggest being the Khan-ul-Ahmar industrial town, ten miles from the River Jordan. These colonies are located on the highlands of the Jordan rift, starting at the Jerusalem-Jericho road and connecting with the first belt of settlements at the West Bank's northern armistice line with Israel. A new so-called "Allon plan road" was constructed to connect the colonies on the highlands with those in the Jordan Valley. Large water pipes are bringing water down the hills to these colonies from the Ain Fara water spring, which used to supply Jerusalem's water needs.

A primary objective of these two belts -- apart from sheer colonisation and economic exploitation -- is to contain the Palestinian population by completing their encirclement from the north, west, south and now the east by the two belts of colonies.

The third belt of colonisation, in accelerated implementation by the present Likud government, is the establishment of a chain of colonies along the entire length of the western highlands of the northern, central and southern parts of the West Bank. This is designed to meet the terrorist Herut party's strategic objectives on the West Bank, which Begin, the alien from Europe, never tires of calling the "liberated territories" and part of "greater Israel."

This third belt is moving the former Israeli armistice line right inside the Palestinian populated areas and hinterland. It is also designed to viviseet the populated areas of the West Bank into smaller areas. The containment of the Palestinians would be facilitated by enclosing them from all sides.

To supplement this plan of control, several lateral highways were constructed or under construction to connect 1948 Israel with the three belts. One highway connects Latroun on the Jaffa-Jerusalem road with Qalandia fifteen kilometres from Jerusalem where a 61-industry complex had been constructed. Another in the southern region of the West Bank is already open and asphalted haltway to the Dead Sea. A third highway, called "Trans-Samarian Highway," would bisect the northern regions of the West Bank and is presently under construction. Another lateral highway further north, is still in the planning stage.

On Jan. 18, 1979, Begin's government allocated some \$40 million for expanding and beefing-up the settlements and also for constructing power, water, sewage and telephone lines in the third belt of colonies.

As for the high-rise residential fortresses which form a ring around our Holy City of Jerusalem, one of the main objectives is to create in the inhabitants of Jerusalem a psychological feeling of living in a ghetto which is already there, in the hope of causing the Palestinians of Jerusalem to emigrate and leave a monolithic Israeli possession of the entire city.

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MR. PRESIDENT:

It is the butcher's knife, operating systematically and relentlessly to vivisect, isolate and cut into bits and pieces what used to be a contiguous West Bank and an Arab Jerusalem.

MR. PRESIDENT:

I have confined my remarks to the all-out colonisation of Jerusalem and the rest of the West Bank. Our latest reports indicate that twenty-seven new additional settlements are being planned, the only impediment to implementation being the lack of people and time.

My distinguished colleagues, the Ambassadors of Syria and Egypt, would be better qualified to acquaint the distinguished Council concerning the magnitude of Israeli colonisation in the Gaza Strip, Sinai and the Golan Heights. According to my Government's figures, there are twenty-four settlements in the Gaza Strip and Sinai and twenty-seven settlements on the Golan Heights.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Israeli indulgence in these aggressive and reprehensible policies mirrors the manner in which the Israeli aggressors view the occupied territories and their inhabitatnts as objects to be exploited, and not as human beings whose inherent and inalienable worth must be respected in spite of their temporary adversity.

Even the environment and ecology -- God's great creation - are viewed with disrespect and derision which only usurpers and aliens to the land are prone to perpetrate.

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How would this august Council react if I were to recall to you, that the Israelis have already drawn up a notorious plan to bring water from the Mediterranean Sea to traverse and inundate regions of the occupied West Bank and downhill to the River Jordan sacred to hundreds of millions, and thence to the Dead Sea for dumping? The Israelis are seriously studying this ecological crime to generate electricity and bring Mediterranean saline waterways and ports to the Jordan Valley.

Does it very much matter to them if in the process large areas of the occupied West Bank is laid to waste? If the River Jordan becomes so saline as to be unfit for human, animal and plant? And if the Dead Sea hursts its shores and drowns large areas of the East Bank? It may seem like fantasy or clever engineering. But at what cost to the Holy Land and its Palestinian and Jordanian people?

MR. PRESIDENT

Having outlined to the esteemed Council the magnitude and manifold aspects of this cursed Israeli aggression, what a pale and futile mockery becomes any talk about "live and let live," about "peace and stability" in the Middle East and far beyond: how shallow and meaningless become references to Security Council resolutions, General Assembly resolutions, let alone other magical frameworks for peace.

Holy Jerusalem will never be alienated from the hundreds of millions who revere it as an integral part of their religion and historical legacy; the Palestinians will never forsake their ancestral homeland. Elemental justice, the rule of law in international relations and a scrupulous observance of Security Council and other United Nations resolutions, are the only guarantee of regional, as well as world peace and security.

It is for these compelling reasons that my Government urges this esteemed Council to act forcefully and in unison to compel Israel to desist from any further cannibalisation of the Palestinian and other Arab occupied lands and people. Furthermore, we urge the Security Council to serve notice on Israel that continued failure to heed the Security Council's resolutions would be met by the application of Chapter VII of the Charter, which provides for appropriate sanctions against defiant and recalcitrant members.

MR. PRESIDENT:

What is at stake is nothing less than literally the very survival of the Palestinian people in their homeland and, hence, the possibility or otherwise of achieving a just and lasting peace in the Middle East. There was a time when states were obssessed with the so-called "survival of Israel." The time is overdue when the world should become concerned about Israel's conquests and the

fate of the Palestinian people. Thank you Mr. President. Rescue workers remove a young victim of the Um Al Basatin explosion

on a strecher Sunday night.

By a Jordan Times

staff reporter AMMAN, March 12-The death toll from vesterday's explosion at a gunpowder and dynamite depot near Amman rose to 14 today when police recovered the bodies of two children from the wreckage

left by the blast and a third critically hurt victim died in hospital. Forty four others were injured and six of them were still on the critical list at Al Bashir Hospital here after last night's explosion at Um Al Basatin, 17 kms, southwest Police are still probing the cause of Amman, on the Na'ur-Al Yadudah road. Thirty four others

injured in the explosion were treated in hospital and discharged. The explosion, which razed the three-storey depot packed with explosives used in blasting rocks in quarries, also demolished five surrounding houses. Two separate blasts were heard in Amman and blew open windows in houses as far away as Jabal Luweibdeh.

The site of the explosion was a scene of utter devastation today. Where the depot had stood there is now a crater about a 150 metres wide and 10 metres deep. The stones of which the depot was built were pulverised into a powder that now coates the surrounding area. Trees that did not simply disappear were transformed in split seconds into splintered stumps.

This afternoon 13 victims of the explosion were burried in a mass grave in the nearby village of Um Al Quttain, The fourteenth victim was burried at Um Al Basatin. His Majesty King Hussein delegated the Governor of Amman, Yahva Al Musilli, to attend the funeral and offer his condolences to the families of the deceased.

King Hussein, Prime Minister Medar Badran and Interior Minister Suleiman Arar rushed to the scene of the explosion last night and supervised rescue operations. which were continuing early

of the explosion. A special committee including police officers and army suppers has been formed to conduct the investigation. There is speculation that the catastrophe might have been caused by a rat chewing on a detonator fuse. which could have caused a spark and set the whole thing off. Bodies of dead rats have been found in the vicinity of the explosion. Police sources were skeptical of this explanation, however,

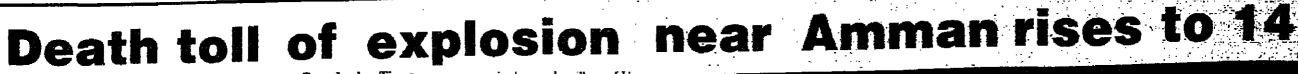
A similar explosion occurred Jabal Amman, near the First Circle, in 1949. Legislation was passed at the time that forced explosives depots to be moved outside city limits. At present, there are 423 quarries in Jordan. 160 of them in the vicinity of Amman, 107 near Irbid, 33 in the Badio and 35 in the Malan district. 29 near Zarqa, 28 in Balqa, 17 in Karak and four in Aquba.

Explosives depots are subjected to special safety regulations; they are required to have remiorced concrete walls, access to the explosives within is limited and the depots are regularly inspected by the police. The depot at Um Al-Basatin had three deors, with two locks on each door. One key to each door was in the possession of Mr. Mazen Jamil Zakaria, the sonof the owner of the depot, and the other set of three keys was in thapossession of a public security official. Entry to the depot, the removal of explosives or the storage of new material requires the presence of a public security offi-

Mr. Jamil Zakaria, the owner of the depot and the farm on which it. was situated, is known to have saitered a beart attack on hearing the news of the disaster last night and is now being treated in hospital.

The farm has a waterman, who is also responsible for the depot: but he is only on duty during the day. When the explosion occured at 8:15 last night, he was not at the

Mr. Badran today visited the injured at Al Bashir Hospital, and the homes of the bereaved-





His Majesty King Hussein views the damage at the site of the massive explosion 17 km from Amman Sunday night. On his right is Prime

Minister Mudar Badran and on his left is Interior Minister



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Hand bi is a sound raise to two spades. You have three trumps beaded by an honor and a ruffing value in diamonds. Don't let the fact that partner might have only a four-eard suit deter you from making your normal rebid. If he has four spades and a minimum hand, two spades should be as good a spot as any. If he has a better than minimum, he will take another bid and you will be well placed to steer the contract

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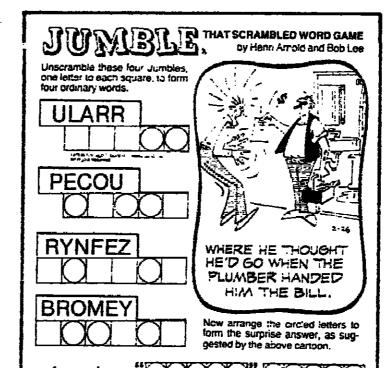
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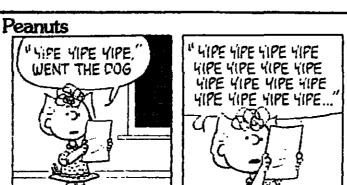


HAMBURG -- Pollo vaccine in a lump of sugar is still a must for babies, health authorities in West Germany annually proclaim. Vaccination was so widespread in the sixties that people tend to forget this essential precaution. Parents should make sure their children are vaccinated as babies. Three lumps of sugar taken at specified intervals can mean the difference between safety for life and life as a cripple. Booster shots should be taken every eight years. (DeD photo)



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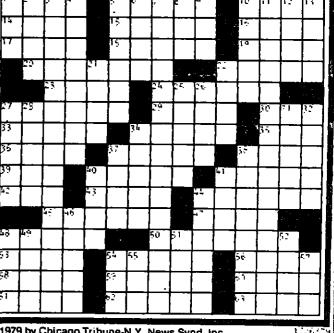
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### EMS announcement expected

## Unemployment issue awaits EEC summit

PARIS, March 12 (R) -- Common Market leaders today begin a two-day summit meeting which will tackle the nagging problem of unemployment in the nine European Community countries.

people are out of work in the Community, a high proportion of them people under 25.

The summit host, President Valery Giscard d'Estaing of France, faces acute unemplayment problems, with clashes in northern France between police and workers whose jobs are threatened by steel mills closures.

The summit, taking place in the conference centre where the Viemam peace talks were held, will also be an opportunity for the nine leaders to give a political push to the search for a coherent Common Market energy policy.

The Iranian revolution has given new urgency to the need for ways to save energy and increase te nine's capacity to produce its

As last-minute preparations are

currency stability was the major

While the leaders are meeting here, the start of the European Monetary System (EMS) is expected to be announced, but this needs only technical decisions which should not involve the

They took all the major political decisions on the EMS, a scheme to protect trade within the Community from unsteady currency markets, at their three summit meetings last year.

But an imminent announcement that the EMS is to begin. following more than two months of delay caused by disagreement about taxes and subsidies on exports of farm produce, will give

## S. Africa confirms

South African forces destroyed more than 12 guernila bases during raids into Angola and Zambia last week. South Africa's com-

Geldenhuvs, said today. In the first full statement on the raids, he said a joint air and ground operation against the South West Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO) was launched last Tuesday and lasted

nearly 60 hours. Ground forces were ferried across the border to attack bases after they had been softened up by aureralt." he said.

The South African military command announced its attack into Angola last week but today's statement was the first official confirmation that it had also struck into Zambia.

General Geldenhuys said the first attack was on a SWAPO camp about 30 kilometres inside Angola and ground troops met little resistance.

He said a second attack into Angola was made later the same day and three more the following day. In each case the guerrillas had evacuated the camps before the ground forces armyed although one man was captured in the bush surrounding one of the camps.

Further air raids were then launched deeper inside Angola. the statement said.

EDINBURGH, Scotland, March

12 (AP)--The island of Iona, cra-

dle of Christianity in Scotland, is

up for sale and the Church of Scot-

land is praying the historic haunt

of pilgrims and honeymooners will

not be snapped up by outsiders.

coast is owned by the Duke of

Argyll, who is selling it, along with

a mainland estate, to raise cash to

meet \$1 million in inheritance

island, the most storied and his-

torically significant of the Heb-

rides, has been in the family since

1635. The Argylls, leaders of the

Campbell clan, once were the

most powerful family in Scotland.

listed in guidebooks as a "feudal

relic," could make \$ 2 million or

more for the Argylls and get them

Iona's historical importance lies

in the founding there in 563 A.D.

of the first Christian monastery in

Scotland by St. Columba, an Irish

cleric of royal birth who fled the

His evangelical mission was

astonishingly successful and from

lona he and his friends spread the

Gospel throughout Scotland and

lona's fame as a holy place

made it a natural as a royal burial

ground for several centuries. No

fewer than 60 Scottish, Irish and

Among them is Duncan, king of

the Scots, and his ambitious mur-

Marauding Vikings plundered

derer, Macbeth, who was immor-

Iona between 795 and 825, slay-

ing a goodly number of the monks.

Magnus Barefoot, king of Nor-

way, held it for a while before it

Norse kings are buried there.

talised by Shakespeare.

emerald isle with 12 disciples.

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northern England.

Realtors believe the island.

The low-lying, 1.000-hectare

The tiny isle off Scotland's west

Latest figures show 6.5 million topic stands out as the dominant theme. Last year the search for

heads of government directly.

a political boost to the summit.

President Giscard d'Estaing.

## raids into Zambia as well as Angola

South African forces suffered no casualties and the total losses to the guerrillas could not be confirmed. However he pointed out mander in South West Africa that reports from Lusaka said at (Namibia). Major-General Jan least 40 people were killed. "Information received prior to

the attack revealed that SWAPO had been moving their men south to cross the border as soon as a ceasefire was announced." he

A ceasefire in this South African-ruled territory has been proposed for this Thursday by U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim prior to elections leading to independence later this

However there is considerable doubt about when a ceasefire will be enforced, with both SWAPO and South Africa objecting to certain points in Dr. Waldheim's

Rhodesian Front Party appears

certain to sweep unopposed into

all 28 white seats in the black-

dominated first parliament of

was taken over by the Mac-

over to the Argylls.

sell the island.

Donalds and eventually handed

the 13th century abbey to the

Chruch of Scotland in 1899, which

means it is not part of the deal to

These days, Iona is a crime-free

paradise far away form the main-

land rat race. That's how the 90

The church and the islanders.

who have to ship in their coal twice

a year, scar lona could be taken

over by speculators who will turn

the tranquil island into a sort of

Mr. Angus Johnston, owner of

the St. Columba Hotel, said: "Our

immediate worry is that Iona may

be commercialised. The Argylls

inhabitants want it to stay.

Christian Disneyland.

happen."

The once-powerful family gave

All the other major political

Zimbabwe Rhodesia.

Scottish duke puts

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isle up for sale

ical of his European policies, can expect to benefit at home from a summit he can show to be suc-

The French leader is expected to press upon his colleagues his call for an international political and economic cooperation conference' grouping Western Europe, Africa and the the Arab

At home in Western Europe the major issue is unemployment. So far only piecemeal solutions have been proposed such as Common Market held with retraining redundant workers and a shorter working week--an idea favoured by socialist parties in the European Parliament.

#### Afghan rebel groups again join forces

RAWALPINDI, March 12 (R)--Two rival rebel groups battling Afghanistan's leftist rulers patched up a quarrel yesterday and announced their second attempt in five months to join

Leaders of the Afghanistan Islamic Party and the National Rescue Front pledged at a press conference to wage a joint guertilla struggle against procommunist strongman Mr. Noor Mohammad Tarakki, who seized power in a coup last April.

They first linked up last October bursplit two months later over how to handle their insurrection in Alghanistan's east provinces. Their men claim to have inflicted heavy casualties on government forces, and the Kabul regime has responded by bombing

The two groups also announced a third group was joining their fight, the hitherto-unknown Harkate Inquilabe Islami.

Rebel leaders said their rebles now governed Afghanistan's mountainous regions, leaving only the cities in effective government control. They said they controlled Kunar Province, north of Kabul. scene of the biggest clashes.

About 35,000 families had fled Afghanistan to Pakistan since the coup, they said, though asylum was the only aid Pakistan was giv-

teed white seats in the parliament

to follow the one-man, one-vote

The Rhodesian Front only

needs 23 or more seats in the

100-seat House of Assembly to be

in a strong position in the new

It would have effective power of

veto on any changes to the 1979

majority rule constitution, which

provides for continued day-to-day

white control of the security

forces, judiciary and civil service.

Such changes require 78 par-

The way was finally cleared for

a Rhodesian Front walkover

recently when the United African

National Council (UANC) of

Bishop Abel Muzorewa decided

liamentary votes in favour.

elections next month.

## Bombs rock Corsica as opposition groups clash

BASTIA. Corsica, March 12 (R)-Bombers struck against Corsican autonomists yesterday after the worst wave of bombings on this French Mediterranean island since last July. Seven bombs exploded in this northern port and in villages to the south in the homes and shops of supporters of autonomist groups, police said.

In an apparent escalation of the battle between the banned Corsican Liberation Front (FLNC) and its opponents, the blasts seemed an immediate reply to a total of 34 explosions caused by autonomists in Corsica and in Paris before dawn

No one has claimed responsibility for yesterday's bombings, but a group which wants Corsica to remain French, called the Action Front against Autonomists and Separatists (Francia). has carried out such attacks in the past.

Last July. Corsican autonomists exploded 34 bombs within an hour in a rash of attacks on the island, in Paris, Britanny and the Basque country. Some 440 bombings and shootings were carried

out in Corsica last year, of which police estimate a third were politically motivated.

. The weekend bombings came at a time when police believed they had succeeded to dismantling the FLNC after a series of arrests in the past six months. One group of autonomists will stand trial in Paris, probably next month.

Bombs were set off this weekend outside banks on the island in Corte. Poute Leccia. Bastia and in the capital of Ajaccio. Two bombs exploded in Paris outside branches of the Societe Generale.

On Saturday a bomb exploded at the home of a cousin of autonomist leader Edmond Simeoni, whose Corsican People's Union (UPC) would let Paris run defence and foreign affairs. The FLNC wants a straight break.

President Valery Giscard d'Estaing and Prime Minister Raymond Barre visited Corsica last year and called for an end to bombings and violence on the island. Though both received a warm welcome, their appeals appear to have been ignored by Corsicans.

#### World meet will try again for fund to prevent commodity price fluctuations would be filled with a little extra

GENEVA, March 12 (R) -- More countries are still at odds over key today begin their fourth attempt in two years to set up an international fund to help stabilise commodity prices and supplies. but their chances of success are

Few hopes have been expressed that they can reach an agreement this time to present to the fifth United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) in Manila, scheduled

12 (AP)--The threat to Western

Europe posed by Soviet medium-

range, nuclear-tipped missiles has

spawned a debate in West Ger-

many over detente and Bonn's

Both the opposition Christian

Democratic Union and Chan-

cellor Helmut Schmidt's Social

Democratic Party have expressed

concern over rapidly increasing

deployment of Soviet SS-20 and

other medium-range missiles,

The Bonn government and

other European allies would like

to see the SS-20s the subject of

energy," Bishop Muzorewa said.

The two other major black

parties-the Zimbabwe African

Naional Union (ZANU) faction

of the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole

and the Zimbabwe United Peo-

ples Organisation (ZUPO) of

Chief Jeremiah Chirau--had

already announced they would not

The biggest white opposition

party, the liberal National Unify-

ing Force (NUF), is boycotting the

election because it believes the

guaranteed white bloc in par-

liament was designed to per-

petuate white privilege and con-

trol. White rightist parties, ham-

mered by the Rhodesian Front in

for next month by whites only.

Twenty white seats will be voted

a "no contest".

contest the white seats.

capable of wiping out every West-

ern European capital.

Rhodesian premier's party in position to win

all white seats in black-majority parliament

SALISBURY, March 12 parties, black and white, have not to fight the white seats. "It The future eight will be filled from would be a waste of time and a list of 16 candidates chosen by

relationship with Washington.

than 100 rich and poor nations elements of the proposed multimillion dollar fund which would aim at creventing fluctuations in the prices of revenue-earning export commodities produced in the Third World.

> One of the key issues still to be sorted out is the size of the fund. which was trimmed to 5700 million last November from the original estimate of \$6 billion.

UNCTAD Secretary-General Gamani Corea reported in December: "I do believe that the Industrialised and developing gaps which still remain are such as

other "gray zone" weapons which

do not fall into the definition of

strategic arms in the U.S.-Soviet

the present 50 white par-

liamentary members -- all

Rhodesian Front -- and voted for

by the newly-elected 72 black and

20 white members. The 72 blacks

will be chosen by whites and

blacks voting on a common roll.

has won all white seats in the past

three parliaments, will announce

its list of candidates for the 20

seats today. They are expected to

include Mr. Smith, who would be

virtually assured of a cabinet place

ernment of national unity under a

Mr. Smith has indicated that he

would only be prepared to leave

the political scene if Britain and

the United States reciprocated by

granting the government of Zim-

babwe Rhodesia recognition.

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The Rhodesian Front, which

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BONN, West, Germany, March East-West negotiations along with

effort on the part of all concerned.

But developments since the report seem likely to dash these hopes. Proposals for \$500,000 minimum contributions to the fund by governments were increased to \$1 million by developing states at a meeting last month in Tanzania.

The United States has said it will not join the "second window" scheme until it is satisfied the scheme is viable and will not duplicate the work of other inter-

W. Germany faces 'critical' issue of threat posed by Soviet missiles

> aimed at the Soviet Union. According to the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies, the Soviets have about 690 medium-range missiles aimed primarily at the West.

These include about 100 mobile Soviet Bloc nations. SS-20s, each capable of delivering three nuclear warbeads. The The Soviets have reportedly Soviets are believed to be increasing their \$\$-29 stockpile by about If the SS-20s do not disappear through negotiations, con-

West Germany, but these are not capable of reaching Soviet ter-The issue has attracted little

strategic arms. In West Germany, which borders two Soviet Bloc countries and

lies only 800 kilometres from the Soviet Union, the issue is considered critical.

ing over U.S. President Jimmy Carter's indecision on the Neutron bomb, are looking to his administration for leadership in solving what they see as a threat to their security.

politicians would like to see the United States counter by stationing on West German soil nuclear-tipped, Pershing missiles

Leading members of Mr. Schmidt's party fear this would so anger Moscow that it would end detente in Europe and upset Bonn's efforts for better relations with East Germany and other

informed Bonn that it would have to reassess its relationship if such weapons were deployed in West Germany. The United States stations tactical nuclear weapons in

public attention in the United States, which is concerned right now with the Middle East, Southeast Asia and the final stages of SALI negotiations to limit

West German leaders, still chaf-

During the parliamentary debate. Mr. Schmidt carefully avoided a commitment on the missiles. He expressed pleasure at Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev's willingness to negotiate a limitation on medium-range missiles and praised Moscow's "responsible policy" on detente.

Imam will not choose this path." Viet refugees leave:

swim for Hong Kong

Revolutionary Count

TEHRAN, Iran, March 12 (AP) -- Its membership is a me powers are immense. As Iran's revolution gropes for siahi

new order to bring peace, the authority wielded by th

Revolutionary Council is the glue holding the nation top

members authorise arrests, set up revolutionary courts

death sentences, organise security and oversee food to

through hundreds of revolutionary committees in Iran.

Since the bloody weekend of street battles in Tehran o

ago finally toppled Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, the L

nary Council has been the true centre of power here at

appointment of a provisional government by Ayatollah

Khomeini. The stern-faced religious leader almost cena

the Council. The Council's apparent determination to ma

reme power during an increasingly uncertain stage of the

Mr. Bazargan's efforts to establish the authority of the

to the extent that he has now reportedly offered his resign:

Ayatollah Khomeini, who is said to have rejected it.

have made it impossible for the government to operation

year-old Mr. Bazargan said recently. "They persecute p

arrest people, they issue orders, they oppose us, they are

The Council's control of day-to-day life in Iran -

revolutionary committees is amply demonstrated by the

the capital. A network of 14 revolutionary committees :

throughout Tehran under the direction of Mr. Mohar, "

Mahdavi-Kani, a 47-year-old white turbaned mullah as "

was appointed directly by the Ayatollah Khomeini h

approval of Mr. Bazargan. His overall command of the

committee all over the country also makes him one

powerful people in Iran. He operates from behind a dis-

with a battery of constantly ringing telephones, in a civil

Each of the Tehran committees, he says, is divide

distribution and control of arms and ammunition and

70-year-old Majlis-parliament-buildings in the heart

committees 'responsible for such activities as security.

ations such as the provision of food and clothing." To

and order in the absence of effective police and whi

guard is being created, he says he has the cooperation of

and Marxist guerrillas. Meanwhile, he says; "We are qu.

we can maintain security." Even after the national goarc.

he said, the revolutionary committees will still mai.

Self-proclaimed human rights activist Mr. Raiph:

who is an American, recently named seven religious le

by the Ayatollah Khomeini, he claimed make up the I

Council. There has been no confirmation that his g

accurate and it is the secrecy surrounding both the

committees and the power that they wield that are cre

resentment among an increasing number of Iranians

There is a growing polarisation between those win

Ayatollah Khomeini and his wish to establish an Islam

those demanding an open, democratic society in whit

this picture of the prospects he sees for Iran: "Now the

meini) can choose the path of polarisation and challes

to take to the streets again to support his Islamic than

result will be civil war and terrible bloodshed and we

the democratic pluralism which everyone else wants;"

Columnist Fariborz Atapour, in a recent article po-

dangers of what he described as a "religious coup di ----

responsibility for their supervision.

factions have a chance to participate.

appointments. Our day has been turned into night."

government have been undermined by the revolutionary

mittees and radical groups with their interference and de la lave made it impossible for the government to open a

appointed him in the first place.

has brought the provisional government of Prime Minis
Bazargan into confrontation with the Ayatollah Khome

Iran's dynam

By Brian Jeffries

HONG KONG, March 12 picked up ashore.
(R)-About 100 Vietnamese ated in hospital for refugees, confined aboard a two of those detail freighter in Hong Kong harbour were rounded up. for more than a month, jumped into the sea yesterday and tried to become a major swim ashore, a government spokesman said. Nine were tre-

ated in hospital for exhaustion. The freighter Skyluck crept in under cover of darkness on Feb. 7 with 2,600 Vietnamese refugees on board. Hong Koug authorities refused to let them land as there was no room in the British col-

ony's packed refugee transit camps. The refugees, apparently making a mass protest at being cooped up for so long, leapt overboard and tried to swim to the offshore island of Lamma, about 1,000 metres from where their tem-

A government spokesman said: Some were picked up by marine police launches and others were

porary home is anchored.

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refugee populatik almost 16,000, in hick homeless a who arrived in Jar freighter Huey Pc barred entry to th four weeks but f humanitarian gro

But big freight only problem. He an increasingly p "boat people" be have been comin this year at an ave

## New tricks for U.K. prices watchd

Britain's Price Commission has not

been notably successful in restraining

inflation or price rises in the six years of

its existence, so it is now trying new

tactics--including savage criticism of

emment has just secured parliamentary approval for a tightening up of its six-year old price control laws in a bid to prevent another sharp dose of inflation.

preserved it very well and that's the way we want it to stay." The Rev. Brian Crosby, who looks after the celebrated abbev, noted: "The dukes never exploited lona. But now everyone's worried about what could The 12th Duke of Argyll, who carries the hereditary title of "admiral of the isles," said he decided to sell Iona "with the utmost reluctance."

He noted: "I would dearly love to see Iona return into state control in Scotland if it's possible. I and my trustees will make sure it goes to a body that looks after lona's people and lona--in that

The Church of Scotland has said it may launch a public appeal to raise the money to buy the island when it goes on the block in the fall. The duke has indicated that if the church can raise the money he will sell it the island.

By David Churchill LONDON -- The British Gov-

But the move -- which basically involves scrapping special profit safeguards for companies denied a price rise - has failed to make an impact on the trade unions or employers. The unions do not see the tougher price controls as enough for them to forgo large wage claims, while the employers' organisation, the Confederation of British Industry (CBI), claims the move "will have no measurable effect on the general level of prices." Instead it will severely damage individual companies' profitability and lead to a loss of

jobs, the employers claim. After more than six years of formal price controls in the U.K., it is becoming clear to both sides of industry that price control mechanisms are not a panacea for

rising prices. Even the government's prices watchdog, the Price commission, has admitted in public its doubts over its ability to restrain most of

Instead the commission is consciously trying to adopt a new role of keeping industry on its toes by savage criticisms of the way companies carry out their business. This, the commission believes, can have a greater influence on prices than more straight-forward measures which tend to distort the workings of the economy.

the price increases it is told about.

But the commission's bid to set itself up as the arbiter of corporate efficiency has angered industrialists for being "superficial and

· It was the former Conservative prime minister, Edward Heath, who established the 1970s-style mechanism of price controls in the U.K. when he set up the first Price commission in 1973 as part of his attempts to control inflation.

However, the commission could not prevent inflation rising from around seven per cent when it began work to over 30 per cent at its peak. The commission claims to have exerted a dampening influence and to have restrained prices by about four per cent at their peak. But Lord Cockfield, the commission's first chairman, has acknowledged that the principal contribution of price control was

company methods. to make pay restraint politically acceptable. Apart from such considerations, he believes that price controls should have ended by March 1976 "at the latest."

But the controls remained bevond that date, although in 1977 the Price commission was remodelled. As with the first commission, the new version was also a political gesture to the unions for continued wage restraint. It was not framed as a crisis measure since the signs were that inflation was falling and the economy was picking up - and this was reflected in the new commission's powers. It was given a great deal of discretionary power to carry out investigations into price rises, but

little actual power of enforcement. Under the price control legislation, all manufacturing companies with a turnover in excess of £15 million (£12 million in the case of service companies) have to give the commission 28 days' notice of a price rise. The commission, at its regular weekly meetings, can then decide whether or not a proposed increase should be investigated further. If it does decide to investigate, the existing

accountancy firm, carry out the investigation. After pressure from the CBI, the government had allowed spe-

price is frozen for three months

while a team of commission offi-

cials, with help from a large

included which enabled companies to secure an interim price also frankly admi rise during an investigation if they trols can have. could show that otherwise their reducing price . profits would be adversely short term, what affected. It is these safeguard regulations

that the government has now scrapped, although the Price commission can still grant an interim price rise if it believes the company otherwise would suffer

After the three-month price improve efficien investigation the commission sends its report to the prices secretary. The commission can recommend a delay for a further eight months in implementing the rise which, if the prices secretary and although w. agrees, would effectively mean freezing the price for a year.

But the present Price commission has not taken such drastic action during its first 18 months in existence. Prices Secretary Roy Hattersley has pointed out that in the first 26 investigations carried out by the commission - when prices should have been frozen for at least three months - some 20 of the companies concerned had

received interim price rises Charles Williams, the former

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